

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

THE AVID GROUP, LLC

Plaintiff(s),

vs.

ARIXA ANIMAL DIAGNOSTICS, INC.;  
AVIANA HOLDINGS, INC.; and AVIANA  
MOLECULAR TECHNOLOGIES, LLC.

Defendant(s).

Case #2:24-CV-01470-JCM-NJK

**VERIFIED PETITION FOR  
PERMISSION TO PRACTICE  
IN THIS CASE ONLY BY  
ATTORNEY NOT ADMITTED  
TO THE BAR OF THIS COURT  
AND DESIGNATION OF  
LOCAL COUNSEL**

FILING FEE IS \$250.00

James E. Davis, Petitioner, respectfully represents to the Court:  
(name of petitioner)

1. That Petitioner is an attorney at law and a member of the law firm of

Ferguson Braswell Fraser Kubasta PC

(firm name)

with offices at 2500 Dallas Parkway, Suite 600,  
(street address)

Plano, Texas, 75093,  
(city) (state) (zip code)

(972) 378-9111, jdavis@fbfk.law,  
(area code + telephone number) (Email address)

2. That Petitioner has been retained personally or as a member of the law firm by

Arixa Animal Diagnostics, Inc. (see addendum) to provide legal representation in connection with  
[client(s)]

the above-entitled case now pending before this Court.

3. That since May 4, 1990, Petitioner has been and presently is a  
 (date)  
 member in good standing of the bar of the highest Court of the State of Texas  
 (state)  
 where Petitioner regularly practices law. Petitioner shall attach a certificate from the state bar or  
 from the clerk of the supreme court or highest admitting court of each state, territory, or insular  
 possession of the United States in which the applicant has been admitted to practice law certifying  
 the applicant's membership therein is in good standing.

4. That Petitioner was admitted to practice before the following United States District  
 Courts, United States Circuit Courts of Appeal, the Supreme Court of the United States and Courts  
 of other States on the dates indicated for each, and that Petitioner is presently a member in good  
 standing of the bars of said Courts.

Court	Date Admitted	Bar Number
Supreme Court of Texas	May 4, 1990	05504200
U.S. Court of Appeals 6th Circuit	June 6, 1989	05504200
Western District of Texas	January 4, 1993	05504200
Eastern District of Texas	May 3, 1993	05504200
Northern District of Texas	August 23, 1989	05504200

5. That there are or have been no disciplinary proceedings instituted against petitioner,  
 nor any suspension of any license, certificate or privilege to appear before any judicial, regulatory  
 or administrative body, or any resignation or termination in order to avoid disciplinary or  
 disbarment proceedings, except as described in detail below:

None.

6. That Petitioner has never been denied admission to the State Bar of Nevada. (Give particulars if ever denied admission):

None.

7. That Petitioner is a member of good standing in the following Bar Associations.

Texas Bar Association

8. Petitioner has filed application(s) to appear as counsel under Local Rule IA 11-2 (formerly LR IA 10-2) during the past three (3) years in the following matters: (State "none" if no applications.)

Date of Application	Cause	Title of Court Administrative Body or Arbitrator	Was Application Granted or Denied
None			

(If necessary, please attach a statement of additional applications)

9. Petitioner consents to the jurisdiction of the courts and disciplinary boards of the State of Nevada with respect to the law of this state governing the conduct of attorneys to the same extent as a member of the State Bar of Nevada.

10. Petitioner agrees to comply with the standards of professional conduct required of the members of the bar of this court.

11. Petitioner has disclosed in writing to the client that the applicant is not admitted to practice in this jurisdiction and that the client has consented to such representation.

That Petitioner respectfully prays that Petitioner be admitted to practice before this Court  
FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS CASE ONLY.

STATE OF Texas )  
COUNTY OF Collin )

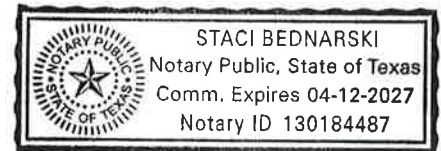
James E. Davis  
Petitioner's signature

James E. Davis, Petitioner, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:  
That the foregoing statements are true.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

19th day of May, 2025  
Staci Bednarski  
Notary Public or Clerk of Court

James E. Davis  
Petitioner's signature



**DESIGNATION OF RESIDENT ATTORNEY ADMITTED TO  
THE BAR OF THIS COURT AND CONSENT THERETO.**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Local Rules of Practice for this Court, the Petitioner believes it to be in the best interests of the client(s) to designate Alcem A. Dhalla,  
(name of local counsel)  
Attorney at Law, member of the State of Nevada and previously admitted to practice before the above-entitled Court as associate resident counsel in this action. The address and email address of said designated Nevada counsel is:

Snell & Wilmer L.L.P., 1700 S. Pavilion Center Drive, #700  
(street address)  
Las Vegas, Nevada, 89135  
(city) (state) (zip code)  
(702) 784-5200, adhalla@swlaw.com  
(area code + telephone number) (Email address)

1 By this designation the petitioner and undersigned party(ies) agree that this designation constitutes  
2 agreement and authorization for the designated resident admitted counsel to sign stipulations  
3 binding on all of us.

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5 **APPOINTMENT OF DESIGNATED RESIDENT NEVADA COUNSEL**

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7 The undersigned party(ies) appoint(s) Aleem A. Dhalla as  
8 his/her/their Designated Resident Nevada Counsel in this case.  
9 (name of local counsel)

10 See Addendum  
11 (party's signature)

12 (type or print party name, title)

13 (party's signature)

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15 (type or print party name, title)

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17 **CONSENT OF DESIGNEE**

18 The undersigned hereby consents to serve as associate resident Nevada counsel in this case.

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21 Designated Resident Nevada Counsel's signature

22 14188

23 Bar number

adhalla@swlaw.com

24 Email address

25 APPROVED:

26 Dated: May 21, 2025.

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28 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

**ADDENDUM**

2. That Petition has been retained personally or as a member of the law firm by Arixia Animal Diagnostics, Inc.; Aviana Holdings, Inc.; and Aviana Molecular Technologies, LLC.

**APPOINTMENT OF DESIGNATED RESIDENT NEVADA COUNSEL**

The undersigned party(ies) appoint(s) Aleem A. Dhalla as his/her/their Designated Resident Nevada Counsel in this case.

Arixia Animal Diagnostics, Inc.



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Vanaja V. Ragavan, MD, President

Aviana Holdings, Inc.



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Vanaja V. Ragavan, MD, President and CEO

Aviana Molecular Technologies, LLC



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Vanaja V. Ragavan, MD, Managing Member

# The Supreme Court of Texas

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CLERK'S OFFICE

I, **BLAKE HAWTHORNE**, Clerk of the Supreme Court of Texas, certify that the records of this office show that

**James E. Davis**

was duly admitted and licensed as an attorney and counselor at law by the Supreme Court of Texas on the 4th day of May, 1990.

I further certify that the records of this office show that, as of this date

**James E. Davis**

is presently enrolled with the State Bar of Texas as an active member in good standing.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF** witness my signature



and the seal of the Supreme Court of Texas at the City of Austin, this, the 8th day of May, 2025.

BLAKE HAWTHORNE, Clerk

Blake A. Hawthorne  
Clerk, Supreme Court of Texas

No. 8198C.1